

1 [Support for Senate Bill 36]

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3 SUPPORTING SENATE BILL 36, INTRODUCED BY SENATOR JOHN BURTON, IN
4 REPOSE TO CALIFORNIA'S CURRENT ENERGY CRISIS, CALLING FOR WHOLESale
5 ELECTRIC MARKETERS IN THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY MARKET TO REGISTER WITH
6 AND REPORT TO THE STATE

7 WHEREAS, The State of California was the first and largest state
8 to deregulate its electricity market, and is currently in a state of
9 crisis as California's power reserves have dropped below five
10 percent; and

11 WHEREAS, San Diego Gas and Electric was the first utility entity
12 in California to open up to competition and end a freeze on rates
13 causing San Diegans to pay, on average, a 270% increase in electric
14 rates; and

15 WHEREAS, California residents, industrial and state government
16 consumers—many of whom have seen their electricity increased—have
17 been warned to reduce their consumption of electricity; and

18 WHEREAS, During the week ending December 9th, California declared
19 a power alert for four continuous days and rolling blackouts are
20 imminent as temperatures drop and demand for electric power
21 increases;

22 WHEREAS, In the midst of the power shortage the Independent
23 System Operator were granted federal authority to lift the cap on
24 wholesale energy rates, thereby potentially causing skyrocketing
25 costs to consumers for energy;

1 WHEREAS, On December 4, 2000, in response to the alarming power
2 shortage facing California, State Senator President John Burton of
3 San Francisco introduced Senate Bill Number 36;

4 WHEREAS, Senate Bill 36 "would state that the Legislature finds
5 and declares that in order to ascertain that the wholesale
6 electricity markets servicing California are workably competitive,
7 there is a need for wholesale electric marketers selling into, or
8 purchasing out of, California to register with, and report to the
9 state.

10 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County
11 of San Francisco urges the support of Senate Bill 36, thereby seeking
12 remedy to the current energy crisis by having wholesale electric
13 marketers register with the state, with the result being to protect
14 the economic interests of the people of California; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and
16 County of San Francisco urges support of Senate Bill 36, and urges
17 resolution to the current energy crisis which impedes the welfare of
18 California's residents and further endangers its economic and energy
19 delivery infrastructure.
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Resolution supporting Senate Bill 36, introduced by Senator John Burton, in response to California's current energy crisis, calling for wholesale electric marketers in California energy market to register with and report to the state.

December 18, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Yee
Absent: 3 - Katz, Teng, Yaki

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on December 18, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.